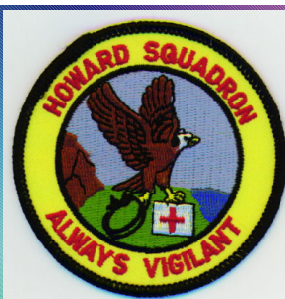




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**Cadet
of the
Quarter**

On Aug. 30, Howard Composite Squadron bid farewell to our cadet command staff and brought forward new leaders, whose good offices will undoubtedly carry on the finest traditions of the squadron. C/Capt **Dan Steciak** takes over command from C/1Lt **Dan Proffen**.



His new executive officer is C/CMSgt **Dan Haack**, who replaces C/2dLt **Jeffrey Flagg**. Our new "top kick" is C/SMSgt **David Wainland**, replacing C/MSgt **Andrew Fenner**. The squadron is indeed fortunate to enjoy the services of these dedicated cadets. As remarkably fortunate as we have been also to be led by their predecessors.

Our ceremony was attended by the Wing Commander, Col. Larry Trick, the Group IV Commander, LtC Tom Mclellan, and the Cadet Group Commander, C/LtC Mark Rudermann. C/SRA **Scott Summe**, pictured above with the new and old commanders, was named our CAC representative and "**Cadet of the Quarter**".

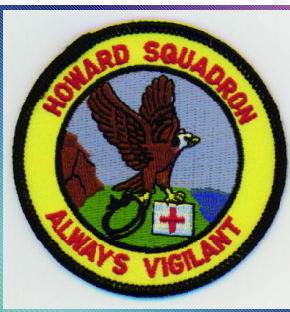
EMERGENCY SERVICES

**ELT
on
Aircraft**

The late summer has seen us out mostly on various ELT searches. On 12 July we had to assemble an urban DF team from personnel on hand at our meeting, striking out about 8:00 pm for an alleged hit near College Park, MD. The path led well past College Park first into downtown Washington, then back out to Bolling AFB, and finally south toward Oxon Hill and Friendly, MD.



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Tinkers Creek

We traced it to the Tinkers Creek area, the local police helicopter was enlisted to aid us in getting to a *known* downed aircraft in between two local airfields. The plane had at least 20 people look at it all day long and not turn off the beacon! Yet a second target was then assigned (as long as you're up...) which turned out to be a Presidential helicopter in an Andrews hangar. After negotiating at length with the junior officer in charge, two of us (Maj. Redman and C/Capt Steciak) were allowed in and the beacon extinguished. Later in July a "distress" ELT was isolated by a second team, but access denied by a guard.

On Sept 14 another urban DF task arose which placed a signal first in Howard county, but it was quickly isolated to BWI (oops). After a check of Signature's fleet we were sure it was an airliner, an extended negotiation with Mike at operations got the expected result, "access denied".

Activities and Achievements

At Andrews Air Force Base, C/SMSgt David Wainland stands with an F-16C.

He participated in the Shadow Program, a fairly new activity that allows cadets to have direct contact with Air Force personnel and a timely exposure to defense systems .

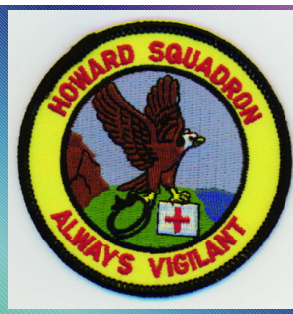
Perhaps David can now expand his already substantial inventory of Aerospace Education talks with a new one on the F-16C.



Shadow Program



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Promotions & Awards

Cadets: **Summe, Scott** SRA -- Wright; **Chandra, Avinash** CMSgt -- Armstrong; **Christensen, Carl** SMSgt - - Goddard; **Haack, Dan** CMSgt -- Armstrong; **Hudson, Emily** TSgt -- Lindbergh; **Steciak, Daniel** Captain -- Earhart; **Wainland, David** SMSgt -- Goddard; **Griffin, Andrew** Amn -- Curry ; **Rockstroh, Rustin** SMSgt -- Goddard.

The squadron is pleased to welcome new cadets: **Andrew Griffen, Richie Medoff, Grey Crone,** and **Greg Perkins.**

Public Affairs

The Squadron received an extremely generous contribution from the Antique Farm Equipment Club Show and fielded some 19 cadets and senior members to handle the parking. The competing picnic/open house at our host site (APL) was less well attended, but nevertheless effective in helping a few folks learn about CAP. These two events are again showing that community outreach is both fun and important, with many chances for learning.

Web Site (**hcs.mdwg.** **cap.gov**)

The "HCS" web site is back on the air after a hardware failure at the GLR server. New site ideas are welcome and can easily be incorporated. Detailed pages are especially welcome from the Senior Programs and ES Training activities. A MS Powerpoint file detailing events in NY has been added to the HCSCAP "files" section.

Quarterly Order of the Wingnut

Won by Col. William Webb of the GLR, for conspicuous messaging ambiguity in site management. All's well that ends well.

